

TO: **All Pennsylvania APCO members**

REF: **2010 Annual APCO Award Nominations**
Local Award Period - March 1, 2009 – May 1, 2010
National Award Period – April 1, 2009 – March 31, 2010

Dear Member,

Our state is rich with telecommunications professionals including emergency calltakers and dispatchers, administrators, supervisors, radio and technology specialists. These are the true first responders to any catastrophic event that happens in our communities. Every year, APCO celebrates these professionals during National Telecommunicators' Week throughout the second full week of April.

The Pennsylvania Chapter of APCO hosts an awards program in an effort to provide prominent recognition to our winners while also honoring our other nominees in the various categories. **Our 2010 awards event will be held as part of the spring chapter conference on Monday, May 17, 2010 at 6:00 PM.** Our nomination and award process includes:

1. Exclusive use of APCO International's award forms. Unfortunately, our nominations are due after those of APCO International so we will be unable to submit nominations to National this year. If you wish to submit to National, the deadline is April 1, 2010.
2. A booklet outlining a brief excerpt of the overall award nomination for winners and a listing of nominees will be distributed at the awards luncheon.
3. A specific excerpt of the winner's nomination will be read during award presentation for all winners, with names of runner-up nominees being read during presentation of certificates.

Nominations are now being accepted in the following categories:

1. ***Telecommunicator of the Year***
2. ***Line Supervisor of the Year***
3. ***RF Technologist of the Year***
4. ***Information Technologist of the Year***
5. ***Center Director of the Year***
6. ***Trainer of the Year***
7. ***Unit Citation (Local Award Only)***

The nominations forms can be downloaded directly from the PA APCO website, www.paapco.org. Please E-mail your nominations to the Chapter Secretary, Diane Benner **no later than May 1, 2010 at 4 p.m.** Diane's contact information is:

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Your participation will guarantee another successful awards program to honor our peers.

Sincerely Yours,
Audrey Kenny
Chapter President